(b) the details of the amount released and utilized so far in the State during this period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) and (b) Additional Central Assistance (ACA) for Basic Minimum Services (BMS) was provided by the Central Government for four years between 1996-97 to 1999-2000. ACA was also provided to certain BMS sectors under the Pradhan Mantri Gramodaya Yojana (PMGY) during 2000-2001. The details of the ACA funds allocated to the State Government of Arunachal Pradesh, funds released and utilized during the last five years are as follows:

Rs. in Lakhs

Additional Central Assistance for BMS and PMGY

year	Allocated	Released	Utilized
1996-97	6218.00	6218.00	6196.00
1997-98	6218.00	6218.00	6218.00
1998-99	9047.00	9047.00	9047.00
1999-2000	7157.00	7157.00	7157.00
2000-2001	6817.00	5617.68	5617.68*

*Anticipated.

Summit on Poverty

3759. SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether he had inaugurated a summit on poverty in Delhi in the first week of January, 2001;

(b) if so, the issues discussed in the summit;

(c) whether various aspects of alleviating poverty alleviation were also examined; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) No Sir. The Prime Minister did not inaugurate any summit on poverty in Delhi in the first week of January, 2001. However, the Prime Minister inaugurated the Delhi Sustainable Development Summit on theme "Poverty: The Global Challenge for Industry, Scientists and Civil Society" on february 7, 2001. The summit was organized by Tata Energy Research Institute.

(b) to (d) The Prime Minister in his speech highlighted that while the percentage of people living below poverty line may have come down in several countries— as it indeed as in India, the relative gap between the rich and the poor has widened, both within nations and amongst nations. It was stressed that there is a need to substantially increase the resources of Governments in developing countries to pursue developmental projects and programmes aimed specifically at poverty eradication; set up a global poverty alleviation fund; initiate collective global action to speedily bridge the gap between Information Technology haves and have-nots; and promote greater global cooperation to deal with natural calamities specially in developing countries.

Pilot project proposal for development of Hyderabad and Secunderabad

3760. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Andhra Pradesh Government has submitted a pilot project proposal (twin project) for planned development of Hyderabad and Secunderabad;

(b) if so, what are the details of the project and the services proposed to be included in the project;

(c) whether Government had received proposal from such type of projects from any State; and

(d) what action Government are proposing to take thereon?